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Enclosed is a check for \$2010 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 14087-006001.

Respectfully submitted,

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